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I believe that the proposed settlement between Microsoft and the Justice Dept. is seriously deficient and will not protect the rights of the American people, computer users all over the world and Microsoft competitors. I believe the position of the nine dissenting states is reasonable and well founded.

One of my prime objections to the proposed settlement is there is far too much reliance on Mr. Gates and his company to be "good citizens". His past record rebuts this. Mr. Gates has always taken the position that "What is good for Microsoft is good for the industry and the Country". He has given ample proof that he is not to be trusted.

I hope and wish that the DOJ will reconsider its position and give serious consideration to adopting the position of the dissenting States. Thank you.

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